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FOR COMMERICAL COUNSELOR

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT: BIE REGISTRATION OF EXPO 81

1. PLEASE INFORM THE BUREAU OF INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITIONS
BY DIPLOMATIC NOTE THAT FEDERAL RECOGNITION OF EXPO 81 HAS
NOW BEEN GRANTED.

2. THE PRESIDENT SENT THE FOLLOWING LETTER DATED DECEMBER
20 TO THE SECRETARY:

DEAR MR. SECRETARY:

PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF P.L. 91-269, I HAVE REVIEW-
ED YOUR REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING EXPO '81 AN
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PROPOSED TO BE HELD IN THE COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO,
CALIFORNIA, ON THE SITE OF THE ONTARIO MOTOR SPEEDWAY. I
HAVE ALSO REVIEWED YOUR LETTER OF DECEMBER 14 INDICATING
THAT THE BUREAU OF INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITIONS HAS DECIDED
THAT EXPO '81 WILL BE FORMALLY REGISTERED ONCE FEDERAL
RECOGNITION IS GRANTED.

HAVING REVIEWED YOUR REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS, I HAVE DETERMINED THAT FEDERAL RECOGNITION OF EXPO '81 IS IN THE NATIONAL INTEREST. AS YOUR DECEMBER 14 LETTER POINTS OUT

IMPORTANT TASKS REMAIN TO BE ACCOMPLISHED, AND I WILL RELY UPON YOU TO MONITOR THEIR COMPLETION TO ASSURE THAT EXPO '81 CAN BE SUCCESSFULLY DEVELOPED AND EXECUTED. I AM SATISFIED, HOWEVER, THAT THE PREPARATION MADE AND THE COMMITMENTS OBTAINED TO DATE JUSTIFY MY GRANTING FEDERAL RECOGNITION. ACCORDINGLY, I HAVE ASKED THE SECRETARY OF STATE TO NOTIFY THE BUREAU OF INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITIONS OF THE ACTION I HAVE TAKEN TODAY, AND I WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR TAKING THE APPROPRIATE STEPS TO NOTIFY THE CONGRESS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 2(C) OF P.L. 91-269.

3. WE UNDERSTAND THAT UPON RECEIVING THIS INFORMATION THE BIE WILL NOW COMPLETE THE PROCESS OF FORMALLY REGISTERING EXPO 81.
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